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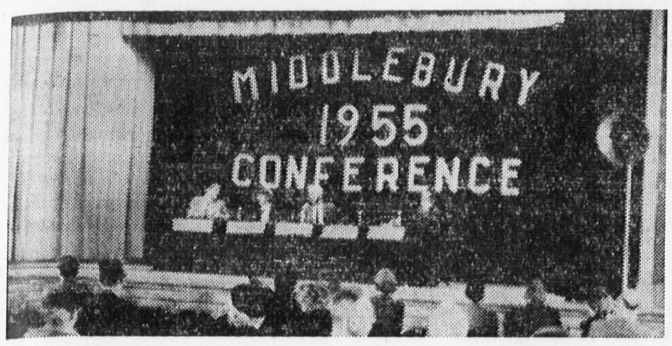

By Stuart Bacon

CONFERENCE on Sunday featured the summary address of Robert Brooks, moderator, seen in center.

Thurber Named Acting Dean; Neuberger Appointed To Fill New Post Of Freshman Dean

Latter Will Direct Men's Residences

Harris Thurber, assistant professor of political science, has been named acting dean of men for next year (1955-1956) to replace W. Storrs Lee, who has been granted a year's leave of absence, it was announced this week by Samuel Stratton, president of Middlebury College.

Stratton also stated that the dean of men's office will be reorganized to provide for the appointment of Frederick Neuberger, now assistant director of admissions at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, as dean of freshman men and director of men's residences.

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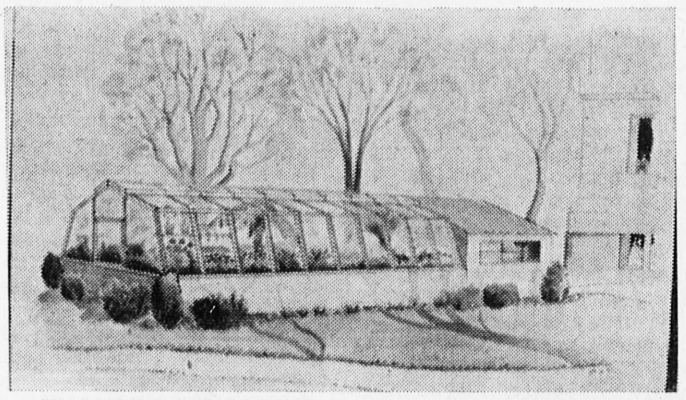
Plan For A Greenhouse . . .



SKETCH OF GREENHOUSE, the construction of which might be the result of the first "Greenhouse Weekend," to be held after Spring vacation.

Confused Students Ponder Conference's Image Of Man

By Mark Hopkins

Last week in Middlebury, Vermont, Man, unchanging in his desire to discover the mystery of himself, fired verbal salvos in a battle to discover what image he might see if the whole of his species was put before a scientific mirror. The reflection on which he decided was often distorted and, at most, suggested that Man might have to put some different clothing over his centuries-old body.

Said Middlebury College President Samuel Stratton, "They must have known that when they spread the tent (i.e. the topic of the weekend), it was one under which every camel could stick its nose." Ten figurative camels, including eight panelists, one moderator and a keynote speaker (ingeniously condensed to "keynoter" by a progressive reporter) all managed to get their noses under the tent in one way or

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Botanists To Raise Funds By "Greenhouse Weekend"

Plans are being made by students of the Middlebury College Science Division for "Greenhouse Weekend" to be held April 15, 16 and 17 to raise funds for the construction of a greenhouse to be located in the area to the west of Warner Science building.

Charles Hart '55, president of the Science Club, is chairman of a science show scheduled for Saturday afternoon in Warner Science and the Chemistry buildings. A dance featuring a tropical island theme will be held Saturday night from 9 to 12 p.m., according to Joanne Kittell '55, chairman.

A hobby show is under consideration for Sunday afternoon. Other chairmen are Babette Wessner '55 of publicity, and Helen MsCullough '55 of the raffle of an $80, three-speed, Hi-fi motorola phonograph.

Howard Woodin, instructor of botany, states that Greenhouse Weekend is the students' participation in the college development program. The administration has expressed its willingness to cooperate in the venture and its approval and appreciation of the student' participation. A goal of $3500 has been set for the project, part of which has already been obtained in the form of monetary donations and contribu-

Dr. Charles J. Lyon, one of the college trustees and head of the Dartmouth College Botany Department, will furnish plants from the Dartmouth greenhouse.

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Bermuda Holiday Set For Saturday

A Holiday in Bermuda is the setting for the informal freshman dance on Saturday, March 26, at 8:30 p.m. in McCullough Gymnasium.

Co-chairmen Ann Martin 58 and Jean-Louis de Gunzberg 58 have announced that music will be furnished by "The Purple Knights" from Williams College. Entertainment will be provided at intermission by the Freshman song group, the "Swing Sixteen." Tickets can be purchased in the Student Union for $1.25 during the week or $1.50 at the dance.

Heading the various committees are: Charles Robinson and Martha Belknap, orchestra and entertainment; Richard Maider and Elaine Brezenski, decorations; Ronald Sundstrom and Barbara Widenor, chaperons; Theodore Smith and Susan Howland, refreshments; Robert Carter and Mary Roemmele, publicity; William Geenty and Virginia Havinghurst, tickets; Donald Lawton and Carol Hardy, clean-up.

Delta Upsilon and Alpha Sigma Psi fraternities will hold open houses before the dance.

Tuition Increased To $800; Activities Fees Cut To $14

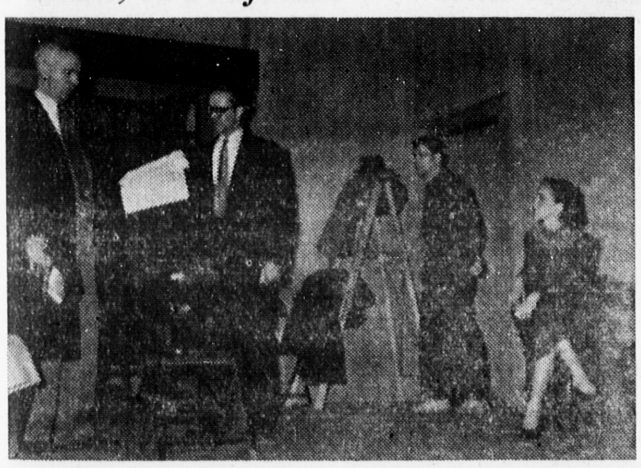
Tuition for Middlebury College students will be raised from $700 to $800 per year beginning next fall, according to an announcement this week by Samuel Stratton, president of the college. In addition to the tuition raise, the activities fee will be lowered to $14, making a total tuition-activities rate of $814 for both men and women as compared to the present $774 for men and $748 for women.

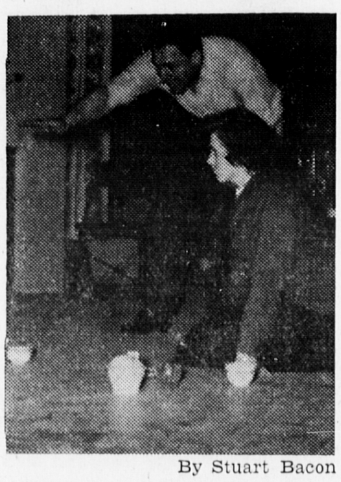
The new activities fee will include charges for class dues, Undergraduate Association dues, CAMPUS, and "Kaleidoscope." The other items previously covered under the activities fee will now be included in the new tuition rate.

The added revenue from the raise will be used in part towards salary increases for faculty and additional instructors. Plans are being considered, according to Stratton, to enlarge the size of the faculty next year.

Increasing operating costs have made the new rate necessary. It is an unavoidable trend in small colleges, especially those in the East, to use similar means to enlarge their income, Stratton said.

A Dean, A Professor . . . And An Old Beau Named Joe





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SCENES FROM "THE MALE ANIMAL" (left) John Andrews talking with Erie Volkert. David Littlefield and Jane Handy are in background. (right) Samuel Guarnaccia enacts moment of football glory to audience of Jean Littlefield.

Faculty Production Of 'The Male Aminal' Peeks Through Education's Ivy Facades

By Walt Mears

James Thurber and Elliott Nugent's "The Male Animal" manages to touch every contemporary personality and event from Roosevelt to Vanzetti, from academic freedom to Scotch, during its sprightly and irreverent course.

Every male animal, "from the land crab to the bird of paradise" will fight where its female is concerned, and Tommy Turner, Professor of English at Mid-Western University, is no exception. With the help of a bottle of Scotch and Michael Barnes, the idealistic editor of the University literary magazine, the Professor turns from a bewildered intellectual into a raging "sea lion, shaking its antlers" at the intruder who threatens his mate. Tommy goes on to explain that after a considerable period of co-habitation, the wife

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Fulbright Awarded To Pauline Bibby

Pauline Bibby '55 has been awarded a Fullbright Scholarship to continue the study of the French language and literature at the University of Paris during the next academic year. The scholarship covers full expenses for room, board, tuition, and transportation.

Miss Bibby will leave for France at the end of September to participate in an orientation period for all Fulbright scholars in France. She will begin classes at the Sorbonne on November 1 and will complete her work by mid-July. She plans to travel during vacations.

Upon completion of her year's study in France and attendance at a summer session of the Middlebury summer school, she hopes to fulfill the requirements towards her Master's Degree. She plans to teach after her year abroad.

A French major, she is a member of Wig and Pen, Mortar Board, and Phi Beta Kappa. This year, she has been president of Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

Fulbright Scholarships are awarded annually by the United States Government for study in foreign universities. An applicant must pass the approval of several boards on the local, regional, and national levels.

Juniors Will Star Marchard At Prom

Harry Marchard and his nine-piece orchestra, featuring a vocalist, will play at the Junior Weekend prom, "Out of This World," it was announced this week by dance co-chairmen, Robert Morris '56 and Virginia Collins '56. The orchestra has played in Boston, Pittsburgh, and Chicago.

Also featured at the dance, to be held Friday, May 6, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., is the "Dissipated Eight" who will present their new members. Cyrus Anfindsen '56, president of the junior class, will crown the queen. An added attraction will be a dance contest to be judged by the chaperones.

It was further announced by the Junior Weekend committee that the deadline for entries in the poster contest is Saturday, March 26. Posters may employ three colors and should include the dates of the weekend, May 5 , 6 and 7, and the theme, "Out of This World." Posters may be submitted to Robert Keating '56 and Wendy Buehr '56, publicity co-chairmen.

1955 Conference . . . Man's Changing Image Of Himself

CONFERENCE CHAIRMEN, listening to keynote, are (left to right) Thomas Reynolds, assistant professor of history, chairman of faculty policy committee, Catherine Smith '55 and John von Hartz '55, co-chairman of student policy committee.

STANLEY EDGAR HYMAN, delivering the keynote speech on Friday night.

By Stuart Bacon

INFORMAL DISCUSSION Saturday night. Alan Entine '56 and Luke Benz are seen talking with Dr. and Mrs. Dikran Donchian.

Decision For Rushing

On Monday Middlebury's fraternities will vote upon a rushing program for next year. The IFC has formulated two plans, one for a four week period early in the first semester, the other for a two week period early in the second semester, and it will leave it up to a majority of the houses to choose between the two.

The first semester plan is similar to that employed this year, with rushing beginning one week after the opening of the fall semester. Under the second semester plan, rushing would begin on the Monday of the first full week of second semester, and the following Thursday freshmen would make out preferential lists, after visiting each of the ten houses. Freshmen would be pledged by Saturday or Sunday of that week, only a few months later than under the first semester plan.

The CAMPUS has consistently supported a system of second semester rushing; our opinion has not changed. There are enough proven disadvantages to first semester rushing and enough reasons in favor of second semester rushing to warrant the one-year trial suggested by the IFC committee.

First semester rushing is unfair both to fraternities and to freshmen. Almost before freshmen can move all their belongings into their rooms, they are besieged by pledge-hungry rushers, or, if not, they become concerned about being left out of a fraternity. Inevitably grades suffer; studying has to be sandwiched around smokers and all-afternoon open rushing. This goes for upperclass rushers as well.

Then suddenly, just when the first prA's are being given, rushing is over; a decision must be made. For the freshman it is a decision either of which house to join or of which house might take him. For the fraternity it is a decision of which freshman looks best, rather than of which freshman is best. On both sides superificialities pass as essentials. The freshman may choose the wrong fraternity; the fraternity may completely overlook the right freshman.

Second semester rushing would give freshmen and fraternities an entire semester to observe each other in a much less artificial manner. A freshman would no longer judge a fraternity by a nice smiling brother; a fraternity would no longer judge a freshman by some pleasant repartee. Both would look at each other in the cold light of a semester instead of the pressing urgency of the four first weeks. Wiser decisions for all would inevitably result.

Most objections to second semester rushing seem inconsequential. The only two of importance are the social question and the problem of dirty rushing, both of which can be solved.

The announcement this week of the reinstitution of Starr and Painter as freshman dormitories makes second semester rushing even more practical. Since only freshmen will be living with freshmen, dirty rushing could be cut to a minimum. There will not be as close contact between fraternity men and freshmen the first semester; their relationship will be much more natural.

In order to fill the social vacuum of the non-fraternity freshman, the IFC report on second semester rushing proposes that the IFC, itself, sponsor functions for the freshmen. This would be facilitated by the system of freshman dormitories. The report also suggests that the freshmen not be allowed in fraternity houses during first semester. An alternate suggestion would be to have one house a week give an open party for the freshmen. However, this social policy for freshmen could be ironed out once it was decided to switch rushing to February. One other consideration on the social side is that freshmen would be pledged before Carnival and would have all social privileges during the second semester.

There has never been second semester rushing at Middlebury; there certainly are enough reasons in its favor to necessitate a trial period. When the fraternities vote on Monday, we ask that they reflect upon the IFC committee's proposal and that they realize that it is time for a change to second semester rushing.

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Keynote

Stanley Hyman, professor of literature at Bennington College and prominent literary critic, opened the thirteenth annual Middlebury Conference March 18 at 8:15 p.m. in the Middlebury High School Gymnasium as the keynote speaker for the symposium entitled "Man's Changing Image of Himself."

Professor Hyman's address, entitled "Psychoanalysis and the Climate of Tragedy,' defined the important role of tragic experience in literature. Basing his exposition of the subject upon its meaning as a social phenomenon not narrowed by its clinical definition, he maintained that the view of man obtained from art is tantamount to results of scientific experiment and documentation in comprehending the true nature of human existence.

Tragic Rhythm

Examining the tragedy in pre-Christian drama, Hyman found that a certain conception of the nature of man lent itself to expression of the tragic response in literature, a response which through its very nature achieves an insight into life which may be transmitted to the perceptor as an aesthetic experience. The conception representative of the Attic tragedy resulting in the "tragic rhythm of action: from purpose, through passion, to perception" was founded upon the image of man as a fallen being, his human nature flawed by arrogance and pride, a victim of his own limitations. It is this image of man in conflict with his own insoluble limitations, Hyman declared, that permits realization of the tragic experience; only through this tragic rhythm, the realization of his own limitations by the individual, the perception of his own nature as a fallen, impotent creature, may one gain insight into the mystery of life.

The Christian era, continued Hyman, has not produced comparable tragedy in art, nor have the Oriental faiths. Their dogmatic rejection of the imperfectibility of the human spirit does not permit the action of the tragic rhythm necessary to the attainment of the tragic experience. Therefore, he stated, the great tragic literature of the Christian epoch has been only nominally Christian and deeply heretic.

Id, Ego, Superego

But this tragic view is possible in modern life, Hyman asserted, through the stoic, tragic psychoanalytical method of Sigmund Freud. The three great Freudian principles involving the id, the ego and the superego present the same picture of the instinct-driven creature whose drives extend beyond his limitations, social or physiological; the same tragic experience is undergone when the man of pride and passion meets the blank wall, the thwarting of his powers, beyond which he cannot extend his control. The Freudian man is doomed to suffer or destroy; since he is imperfectible, his animal nature cannot be changed, but it can be sublimated into a more useful behavioral pattern. In the Freudian world, it is this sublimation which permits man to build a life of culture from an animal life of instinct. Undergoing this change, moving through the passion to perception, completing the tragic rhythm, man achieves freedom. Few are capable of being free; it is only those who realize their own limitations and pass through the tragic experience who are liberated.

Freud has thus contributed a great tool of literary analysis, continued Hyman, in his image of the mind as a "poetry-making machine."

Personality Plasticity

In conclusion, Hyman reviewed the work of the revisionists and neo-Freudians, whom he charged with abandoning the values of Freudian analysis, de-sexualizing and modifying the Freudian principles. We in America tend to disregard the dark corners of Freud's analysis, he stated; our general acceptance of the perfectibility of man has led us to abandon the bleak stoicisms of the Freudian method so vital in literary analysis, and to adopt the view of plasticity of the personality.

Hyman attacked this "cheery, easy-way-out" attitude as intellectually unacceptable, and warned that in a desperately ill society, the importance of art in diagnosing cultural weakness must not be underestimated.

James Donahue

First Panel

John Hutchison, professor of religion at Williams College, opened the Saturday morning session. He based his partially affirmative answer on his belief that due to cultural relativism man has developed new patterns of behavior. However, he stressed that one should not overdo this idea, for the patterns man forms are actually only new applications of his "perennial human nature," which continues to show through his changing images of himself. Dr. Hutchison mentioned that faith and philosophy need not conflict with scientific facts and suggested that recent "crossfertilizations of ideas" between the two areas have led to advancement in both.

Man As God

Ralph Ingersoll, author and journalist, opened his argument by proposing that man's image of himself is not changing. Instead he has looked upon himself as "God Almighty" ever since he acquired the power to reason.

In supporting his thesis Ingersoll asserted that man cannot really analyze his own personality because he has only that personality with which to look at himself and that he, personally, cannot take man that seriously. He believes that one God is responsible for everything, including the work of the devil. His views were based upon the proposition that man has defined himself the same way throughout the centuries: as a "featherless, rational biped." He added that man is an imitative animal; he copies other men and therefore cannot change.

Psychiatrists Speak

The panel's third speaker, Jennie Klein, associate professor in psychiatry at the University of Buffalo Medical School, presented a factual resume of the advances in psychology through laboratory experiments. Considering this progress in science in general, she concluded that the universe is enlarging and likewise man is enlarging his views of himself. It has been definitely proven that man is born with the emotions of fear and anger and love, but he has to learn to express them. People react according to both their constitutional set-up and their training.

The constant revision of man's concept of human nature, with science as a tool, was stressed by D. Ewen Cameron, chairman of the psychiatry department at McGill University. Recent social changes have, he said, pressed forward our knowledge of ourselves. He proposed four basic premises as to this knowledge; first, that humans are adaptive, although not to an unlimited extent; second, that the conception of man as a "rational being" is incomplete and should be avoided; third, that man cannot be considered simply as an individual within himself, without regard to his social relationships; and lastly, that man's chief end is "extending control over himself and his world."

Robert Clement
Barbara Rice

Second Panel

The four speakers on the afternoon panel discussed the question, "What are the results of man's changing image of himself on his everyday associations?" The first speaker, Dikran Donchian of Batten, Barton, Durstine, and Osborn of New York, discussed recent changes in advertising.

Business, Donchian said, a part of the hedonistic rather than the puritan view of life, was interested primarily in two aspects of man. It examines the sociological man -- his age, home, income -- to determine the existence and variety of markets and the psychological man -- who buys what and why -- to determine motives for advertising. "Advertising," Donchian said, "looks at the man in the street to find out how the man in the street looks at advertising."

Margaret Benz, who teaches Marriage and the Family and Child Welfare at New York University, discussed some of the changes in man's life with his family. Longer life expectancy and necessity for mobility have partially caused the break-up of the family into two-generation units. Confusion has been the result of a shift from patriarchal to liberal equalitarian families and from a view of children as contributors to a view of them as consumers.

Commenting on the Kinsey report, Dr. Benz added that her view of future American family life was optimistic because "women are more like men in the sexual drive than was previously supposed."

Spencer Parratt, professor of political science at Syracuse University, stated that people today want to be "significant cogs" in a social system which is meaningful to them. Thus, in their civic life they seek participation in community groups and projects. Improvements in science and education have produced a situation of "multiple expertness" Parratt continued, and the amateur's place in civic life is currently undergoing a revolution. The individual's capacity and sense of competence is being curbed by emphasis on expertism and increased technology.

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Second Panel

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This leads to increased burdens on the civic participator and finally to an overwhelming sense of futility that causes him to forsake his civic enterprises.

Clayton Jones, presently with the American Social Hygiene Association, prefaced his remarks on leisure time with the old proverb, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." He advocated that man needs a change from his work. He must have relaxation and self expression to satisfy his mental and physical health. "Free time," however is a misnomer, for the non-working hours are constantly occupied in carrying out the family, church, and civic demands which society places on him.

Ann Boyer, Geraldine Raymond

Summary

Robert Brooks, moderator, presented the final address of the conference at the third panel on Sunday morning.

Attempting to summarize the remarks of the panel members, Brooks said that if we interpret man's nature as meaning man's behavior, then we must make an affirmative reply to the question "Is man's nature able to change?" Those ethical standards which man today incorporates into his image may not have been there yesterday and may change by tomorrow. The difference between the "what is" and the "what ought to be" is not absolute truth but the byproduct of the individual's position in a particular culture.

Individual And Group

Concepts of good and evil have evolved from reconciling conflicts between the individual and his social group, he continued. Under ordinary conditions the individual is able to exist with only minor conflicts with a group. Often, however, the individual becomes so dissolved in the culture that his concepts of good and evil become meaningless. Moral and ethical standards change in such a situation only when there is a clash between the ideas of an individual and those of the group, or when a situation of crisis forces change. While the new concept is held by a minority it is often considered evil, but if the same concept comes to be held by the majority it is often considered evil, but if the same concept comes to be held by the majority it is then considered moral or good.

Dr. Brooks considered Dr. Klein's application of science to human nature. Just as people doubted that science could prevent smallpox, so now they doubt science's ability to cure mental illness. A few years may prove that there are definite connections between the laboratory and human personality.

Despite the tragic picture of man presented by the Freudian outlook, and the criticism of the Neo-Freudian-Christian psychologists, Brooks felt the Conference suggested man should accept some form of reconciliation which would assist humanity toward perfection.

Lucy James

"Male Animal"

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becomes the mate.

Antlers Off

The intruder, in this case, is an All-Time All-American football player, Joe Ferguson. In an offstage defense of his mate Ellen, Tommy succeeds only in getting his antlers knocked off. Anarchy follows as Ellen is shunted back and forth between mate and intruder, but when the mating season ends, on the Monday after a hectic Homecoming weekend at Mid-Western, Ellen returns to the safety of her den and her own intellectual animal.

Male animal meets intellectual animal in the sub plot as well, as Ellen Turner's sister, Patricia Stanley, tries to choose between Wally Myers, a football player who looks "healthy" to Dean Damon's wife Blanche, and the erstwhile intellectual, Michael Barnes, who looks radical to Dean Damon.

Eventually, reason, intellect, and the higher instincts emerge triumphant, but the conflict is, as always, a painful one.

Behind The Ivy

The Cosmos Club could hardly have made a more fortunate choice than "The Male Animal" for its 1955 production. The play takes its audience behind the ivy-covered facades of American college life into the conflict which seems ever present in educational institutions; that between the intellectuals and the businessmen, the idealists and the practical legislators. All the aspects of college organization are seen, the faculty, the administration, the student, and the trustee, and the failings of each provide the play with its humor, while the strength, the contributions of all, give the production its more serious basis.

Director Claude Bourcier has a more than adequate cast with which to work, and the result is an entertaining and rewarding production. The performances are well disciplined, although the play itself starts slowly in terms of action, with the first act being devoted largely to talk, and the remainder, to the carrying out of talk in often violent action. One scene, that in which Ellen and Joe Ferguson leave the Turner house to the accompaniment of a brass band, seems a little overplayed, if not overwritten. And, as one of the faculty wives commented, no professor without an independent income could possibly afford a full time maid.

Two Types Of Animals

The performances are, for the most part, outstanding. Erie Volkert, as Tommy Turner, and Sam Guarnaccia, as Joe Ferguson, divide the production between them as the representatives of the two types of male animals, and Jane Handy, who plays Ellen Turner, gives an excellent performance as the wife whose husband and old beau spend an entire football weekend handing her off in a dazzling and well executed series of line plays. John Andrews, as Dean Damon, comes closer to being the ideal representation of a college dean than any dean we have ever seen, and Libby Andrews, who plays his wife, Blanche, is excellent as the garrulous spouse of the non-committal Damon. The "reactionary Fascist" trustee is played perfectly by Jim Van Wart, who comes through in fine form as the heartiest and most officious of mid-westerners, Ed Keller; while Mary Graham Hoag supports him well as Keller's wife, Myrtle. The indespensable Cleota is played by Beth Adcock', who presents an admirable performance as the bewildered maid, belabored by telephones, brawls, drinking parties, and Dennison Nash, a newspaper reporter who nearly loses his foot in a futile attempt to get it into the door.

The Undergraduates

On the undergraduate side, Jean Littlefield plays Ellen's sister, Patricia Stanley, John Handy, as Wally Myers, and David Littlefield, as Michael Barnes, do an excellent job as her two male animals; while Bill Trask, playing the exhuberant Nutsy Miller, bursts onto the stage twice, whirling a baton, and waving a petition. As for the end product of their, and director Claude Bourcier's effort, "The Male Animal" is a very enjoyable evening's entertainment. The entire production, the play and the individual performances, leave little, if anything, to be desired.

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Broken Venetian Blinds, Leaky Faucets Confront Mr. Chaffee And His Staff Of 65

By Margaret Dickie

For anything from a leaky roof to a broken venetian blind, we call the Service Building for help and are given prompt service. There must be more to this than the voice that meets the ear over the phone, we decided, and ambling over to the Service Building, sure enough, we discovered back of the smoke --the smoker, Mr. Chaffee, calmly puffing a Herbert Tareyton between phone calls from irate somebodies who wanted toilets unplugged and scoreboards for basketball games set up. Mr. Chaffee, with his four-way phone system, managed somehow to connect everybody with the right service before settling back in his swivel chair with a calm "that's only one of the tribulations of superintendent of buildings and grounds look."

"Variety is the spice of life!" the superintendent exclaimed. "I live two miles out in Cornwall and coming in, in the morning, I can plan a schedule for the day's work, then some pipe breaks unexpectedly somewhere or some reporter comes in and I can throw the day's schedule out the window. But that's what I like about it -- the variety!"

B. and G. Men . . .

By Stuart Bacon

F. DUDLEY CHAFFEE, (left) discussing buildings and grounds with his secretary Caro Wyman

Mr. Chaffee who came to Middlebury in 1953 after long experience in college maintenance work graduated from Worcester Polytechnic Institute in 1931. "1931," Mr. Chaffee commented, "was a very bad time for an engineer to get out of college. I loafed and worked in gas stations for three years before getting my first job at Mount Holyoke College in the maintenance department for $55 a month -- and was darned glad to get it too!"

From Mount Holyoke, Mr. Chaffee went to Trinity College as property manager. During the war, he worked at a defense plant in Springfield, Mass., doing all the "extracurricular" jobs caused by the war which were not normal to manufacturing -- such as fingerprinting all the employees. Later he returned to college work as assistant business manager and superintendent of buildings and grounds at Springfield College where he developed, among other projects, a field house very similar to ours. He was drawn to Middlebury by the offer of a bigger job since Middlebury has four times as many buildings as Springfield.

The building and grounds department covers a great variety of jobs -- anything from plowing paths to tracing down odors which arise in back of Forest. (Incidentally, the latest word from the service building is that we can expect the existing conditions of the hockey field to exist every time the ground thaws since that odor is caused by fertilizer put on the field last fall.)

"A perennial problem," Mr. Chaffee told us, "is the case of the Spanish house skunk. Every spring he gets under the porch and has to be removed. We are patiently waiting for an appearance this year."

The complaint department is often a source of amusement to good-humored Mr. Chaffee. His favorite story is about the professor who called twice to complain about not having any heat in his office. "Both times we sent a man over only to have him discover that the valve wasn't turned on," Mr. Chaffee explained, laughingly.

One of the biggest problems for the Service department is the weather. Snow plowing often involves working from 4 a.m. to 12 p.m. in order to keep the main paths clear. At present, the main problem is "our good Addison County clay" which makes it difficult to keep buildings clean.

From his office which overlooks some pine trees and the smoke stack, Mr. Chaffee directs a staff of 65 men, including janitors, grounds men, painters, carpenters, plumbers, and mechanics. While we were there even Mrs. Snow came in to give her daily report.

When asked why he preferred college work to working in industry, Mr. Chaffee said, "College jobs have a lot less pressure than jobs in industry. Although I could earn 50 per cent more salary in industry, college is more stable. Also the benefits are better, for instance, vacations." We found out later that, although Mr. Chaffee is supposed to have a month's vacation, he has only managed to get one week for the last two years due to building and improvement programs which made it impossible for him to leave.

Mrs. Chaffee works in the dean's office as Mrs. Kelly's secretary. The Chaffees have two children, Patricia, who will enter UVM in the fall, and John, who will be a junior at Mount Hermon School next year.

Assisting Mr. Chaffee in his diversified duties is his secretary, Caro Wyman. Miss Wyman, who manages quite well among the 65 men, graduated from UVM in 1933. For five years during the war, she worked in Senator Austin's office in Washington. Presently she is living in Brandon where she owns her own home.

Deans

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Freshmen In Starr, Painter

The new post of freshman dean was established for the purpose of co-ordinating the guidance and counseling of freshmen and supervising their work and activities. Neuberger, in his corollary position of director of men's residences, will be in charge of the dormitory proctors. Next year all freshmen will live in Starr and Painter Halls, as the College returns to a plan of separate dormitories for freshmen. Since 1950 freshmen women have lived in Battell North and Battell South.

Thurber is a native of Orleans, Vt., and graduated from the University of Vermont where he received his master of arts in 1949. In 1951, he received his second M. A. from Princeton. At present, he is completing work on his doctorate which he expects to receive from Princeton this year.

Besides his duties in the political science department, Thurber has coached freshman football for four years. He has a captain's commission in the Army reserve and participates in Middlebury's strategic intelligence unit.

Lee To West Indies

Lee, whom Thurber replaces, will take a year's leave of absence under the terms of the Walker Furlough Fund. He and Mrs. Lee plan to spend next year in the West Indies.

Neuberger, who is to fill the newly-created administrational post, was assistant to the dean of men at Middlebury until three years ago when he went to RPI. He graduated from Middlebury in 1950 and is a native of Pittsfield, Mass.

At the same time it was announced that the post of assistant to the dean of men has been eliminated. Serving in that post during the academic year 1954-1955 has been William Trask '52.

When asked to comment on the reorganization of the dean's office, Dean Lee replied that it was news to him.

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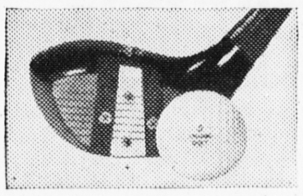

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Dauntless Sophomore Man Takes On Home Ec Class

By Priscilla Noble

Into the woman's world of home economics a brave masculine has entered. Dwight Stimson '57 is now deeply steeped in the learning of interior design, alone with 27 females including the instructor, Lucy Wall, assistant professor of home economics.

This amazing upheaval in college tradition has caused several mild reactions on campus. Some, to be sure, have felt that this co-education thing can be carried too far. In general, however, the women have followed the college unity movement and welcomed Stimson into their midst.

Standin Ovation

The first day of class this semester the women of Forest East registered their approval by giving Stimson a standing ovation as he entered the home economics building. He admits he was scared that day, even may have turned a little red. After the first class or two, the group got down to the business at hand of braiding rugs and tying bed springs and forgot incidental differences.

The course itself is called House Planning and Furnishing in the catalogue, but Miss Wall prefers to name it "Interior Design." Both she and Stimson feel thet Middlebury men would find much to enlighten them in this subject. Miss Wall pointed out that when she took the course in college there were more men than women in it. Stimson said, "Any young man should take it."

Hopes Are High

He tried to get some others of his kind to join him this semester, but met with no success. He has hopes, however, for the future.

A business economics major, Stimson finds himself with a continuing affinity for the home economics department. If he can work it in among his required courses, he hopes to take cooking in the fall. He likes to cook steak.

Letter

To The Editor:

As everyone on campus by this time knows, last weekend saw the selection of the squad which will represent the United States in the ski events of the 1956 Olympic Games. Likewise, everyone has noted and rejoiced at the selection of Les Streeter as fifth man on this squad.

What may not be generally known is that it costs upwards of $19,000 to finance such a team and send it to the Olympics. This sum must be raised by public subscription. The E. A. S. A. is, at present, on behalf of the Olympic Committee, conducting a drive among ski clubs and colleges to help raise this amount. I think that this is an excellent time for Middlebury to make its contribution.

To this end, the Mountain Club Sugar Slalom, a race for experts, intermediates, novices, snow-bunnies and also-rans, will be held this Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Snow Bowl. The entrance fee will consist of a donation to the Olympic Fund. Depending on what success the race meets with, there will also be solicitations in the dormitories.

Few of us have the skill to ski in the Olympics, but all of us can play a small part by giving the team our financial backing.

Albert Gollnick '55

News Briefs

Middlebury College Choir will present selections from its forthcoming New York concert at chapel Sunday. Attendance is required for juniors and seniors.

Pinned recently were Scott Peck '53 and Margaret Renier, Wheaton '58. Married were Myrdith Benedict '56 and John McKinley, University of Massachusetts '56.

Pinned over Conference Weekend were Jonathan Brand '55 and Mary Dickey '57.

The Student-Faculty Coffee Hour, sponsored by the Mountain Club, will be held tomorrow in the South Lounge from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Special guests will be members of the economics, geography, geology, Italian, and Spanish departments.

The next issue of the CAMPUS will be April 21.

Red Cross Plans April Blood Drive

A blood drive, sponsored by the Addison County Chapter of the American Red Cross, will be held at Middlebury College on Monday, April 18. Drawing will be from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at McCullough Gymnasium. The quota has been set at 125 pints.

All donors under the age of 21 must have signed permission from their parents or guardian. Forms can be obtained at dormitories and fraternity houses during the week of March 14.

A special appeal for donors with blood type O-negative is being made by the Red Cross. Student co-chairmen in charge of recruitment are Jane Cartmell '55 and Robert Keating '56.

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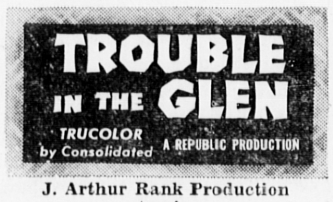

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Track Squad Sports Eleven '54 Lettermen

By O. S. Morton

With a large turnout which includes eleven lettermen, the Middlebury track team, captained by senior Bob Webb, has begun workouts for the 1955 season which begins on April 23 when the Panthers face Williams College on Porter Field.

Two important developments over the past year should go far in determining the success of this season's squad. The first is the return of Tom Hart, who set the Middlebury high jump record of six feet, one inch during the 1953 season. In addition to his high jump ability, Hart should help the team in the pole vault and broad jump events, and possibly the javelin. The biggest problem faced by Coach Arthur M. Brown is finding a suitable replacement for Sonny Dennis, his top sprinter and point getter last spring. Dennis suffered a broken ankle earlier this winter and with a subsequent operation to remove bone chips, he is definitely out for the season. This, coupled with the loss of Lolly Myers to graduation last June, creates the problem, but Coach Brown feels that Captain Webb and Florio Lavin, a promising freshman should take up a lot of the slack in the dash events.

The hurdles situation shapes up well with three lettermen available in the both high and lows. Sophomore Bill Holmes, Brown's top hurdler last year, is back, along with Charlie Sykes and John Field. Art Meserve and Ted Minor are good freshmen prospects.

The Panthers should look fairly strong in the middle and long distance races. Dennis will be missed from the 440, but Ted Schwerdtle returns in both the quarter and half mile and will be helped out by Dave Bates and Dick Millham, both frosh candidates. Pete Redman, who lettered as a freshman last year, will be the top miler and Ed Thomson may compete in this event also. Hull Maynard, Ken Martin, and letterman Brooks Dodd look like the two milers. Stan Hayward, who is in the service, will be missed in these races.

In the field events, Coach Brown has a host of men trying out. The shot will be tossed by Field, John Briggs, and possibly Jerry Doolittle. In the discuss, letterman John Snell will be the top man, with Briggs and Wyman Rolfe helping out. The broad jump finds Dick Mirabelli, a letterman, and Tom Hart the probable point getters. In addition to Hart, Field and Sykes will compete in the high jump, and the javelin will probably be thrown by Snell and Rolfe. Letterman Mark Benz is the

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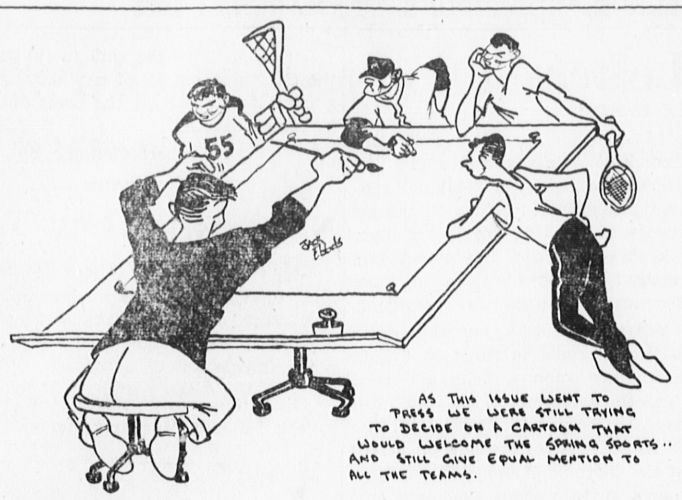
Sailors Name 1955 Officers

After a winning fall season in 1954, the Middlebury Sailing Club is preparing for a full spring schedule which includes nine meets against top eastern competition. Officers recently elected for 1955 are: commodore, Fred Farnham; vice-commodores, Roger Wilson, Lindsay Durant, Sandy Van Zandt; rear commodore and racing chairman, Corliss Knapp; fleet secretary, Liz Lindberg; treasurer, Betsey Curit; social chairman, Dutchy Holland, publicity, Marion Keith.

The season opens with a quadrangular meet here at Middlebury on April 16 and closes with the Ravens competition down at Coast Guard, May 8. The highlight of the spring is the New England Elimination Meet on May 1.

Pat Hinman has been honored by being asked to compete in the International Team Race over in Norway this summer, and plans to make the trip.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AS THIS ISSUE WENT TO PRESS WE WERE STILL TRYING TO DECIDE ON A CARTOON THAT WOULD WELCOME THE SPRING SPORTS.. AND STILL GIVE EQUAL MENTION TO ALL THE TEAMS.

Spring Sports Schedule

BASEBALL:
April
25 - A.I.C.
28 - at Massachusetts
29 - at Williams
30 - at R.P.I.
May
2 - at St. Michael's
4 - Norwich
6 - at Union
9 - St. Michael's
11 - Vermont
16 - at Wesleyan
18 - St. Lawrence
21 - at Norwich
23 - Clarkson
25 - at Vermont

LACROSSE:
April
16 - at Tufts
23 - Union
27 - Dartmouth
30 - at W.P.I.
May
4 - at Hamilton
7 - Harvard
11 - at Massachusetts
18 - at New Hampshire

TRACK
April
23 - Williams
27 - Norwich
30 - Quadrangular Meet - Waterville, Maine (Bates) (Colby) (Middlebury) (Vermont)
May
7 - at Trinity
11 - R.P.I.
14 - E.I.C.A.A. - at Boston
18 - at Union
20, 21 - N.E.I.C.A.A.A. - at Lewiston, Maine
26 - State Meet - at Northfield, Vt.

TENNIS:
April
16 - at Tufts
27 - at R.P.I.
- Trinity
May
2 - at Vermont
4 - at Union
7 - Wesleyan
11 - Massachusetts
13, 14 - N.E.I.L.T.A. at Williamstown, Mass.
18 - at St. Michael's
20 - at Clarkson
21 - at St. Lawrence
25 - Vermont
28 - Dartmouth

GOLF:
April
29 - Dartmouth - at Rutland
30 - R.P.I. - at Rutland
May
5 - Union - at Rutland
6 - Quadrangular - at Rutland (Middlebury) (Norwich) (St. Michael's) (Vermont)
7 - Quadrangular - at Williamstown, Mass. (Connecticut) (Holy Cross) (Middlebury) (Williams)
11 - State Tournament - at Burlington.
13, 14 - N.E.I.G.A. - at Watertown, Mass.
18 - St. Lawrence - at Burlington
20 - Wesleyan - at Rutland

The Bye - Line

By Walt Mears

With Les Streeter already secure as a member of the eight man team which will represent the United States in the Olympic ski competition at Cortino, Italy next winter. Middlebury is assured of at least one spot in the Olympic sun. Another chance for local representation has come through the fact that the Panther ski coach, Bobo Sheehan, is among one of three men remaining under consideration as coach of the US Olympic outfit in 1956.

The Committees

Selection of the men to be considered by the Olympic Games Committee, which makes the final choice as to coaches and competitors, is made by the five man Olympic Selections Committee. This committee has narrowed their choices down to Sheehan, Walter Prager, the Dartmouth ski coach (who might become confused if asked to coach a team composed entirely of domestic talent), and Jack Reddish, of Sun Valley. Bobo has been named as the Committee's first choice for the job. Their recommendations are now before the Olympic Games Committee, a twelve man committee which will make the final decision sometime during the next few weeks. Thus the first big question as to Bobo's chances of coaching at Cortino lies simply in the fact that the final choice has not been made by the Olympic Games Committee as yet.

Post-Olympic Competition

The second problem is more directly concerned with Middlebury. The Olympic fund provides all members of the U.S. team, including the coach, with equipment and travelling expenses to and from Cortino, as well as expenses while skiing in the Olympics. The Olympics end on February 3, however, and during the remaining portion of the skiing season the various Olympic teams will be invited to the major ski events in Europe. Their expenses at these meets will be paid by the host teams, but their traveling expenses will have to come from their own funds. The expenses which Sheehan would incur as coach of the team during post-Olympic competition would be one consideration.

Furthermore, the Olympic ski coach is not paid a salary. Should Bobo be asked to head the U. S. team it would mean his being absent from Middlebury during the entire 1956 skiing season, and he would not be able to consider accepting the position unless his regular salary as Middlebury ski coach were paid him by the College.

A Suggestion

Although the College must make the decision on the first point, the second remains for the consideration of the students and organizations of Middlebury. It would seem logical to us for the individuals and groups on campus which contribute to the Olympic fund to work towards the establishment of Middlebury's own Olympic fund, a fund to make sure that if Sheehan is named as Olympic ski coach he can accept the honor with, and through the backing of the College and its students. The honor to Sheehan would be, furthermore, a rewarding thing for Middlebury, in terms of prestige and publicity for the College and its ski team, as well as for its coach. Certainly, through the record which has brought him under the consideration of the Olympic Games Committee, Bobo has earned a Sabbatical winter, and the support of Middlebury's students.

Streeter Awarded US Olympic Berth

By Zip Rausa

The best skiers in the world competed in the International Downhill and Slalom combined races last weekend in Stowe, Vermont and Les Streeter, Captain of the Middlebury team, turned in an outstanding performance which gave him a berth on the United States Olympic Team. Announcement came late Sunday night by the Olympic Committee that Streeter will be one of the six American entries to represent this country in the Olympic Games to be held next winter in Italy. Streeter will be teamed with Tom Corcoran, Ralph Miller, Buddy Werner, Brooks Dodge, Marvin Melville, Marvin Moriarity, and Dave Mitchell.

Stretter 14th

Les finished among the first twenty in the slalom race held on Friday. The first seven positions went to foreign skiers, who repeated their supremacy in the Giant Slalom held on Saturday. Andreas Molterer of Austria was the winner of Saturday's race and was followed by Chic Igaya of Japan, Maurice Strolz of Austria, Martin Julen of Switzerland and a former Middlebury student, Guttorn Berge of Norway. Streeter was seventh for the Americans and 14th in the race itself. Tom Lamson and Pete Webber were the next Panther skiers, Lamson taking 23rd and Webber 25th. Frank Hurt, Tom Burns, Bob Beattie, Jack Beattie and Jim Southard finished down in the field comprising 83 international skiers.

Buddy Werner of Aspen, Colorado stole the show during Sunday's downhill race when he traveled the Nosedive Trail of Mount Mansfield in the record breaking time of 2:07.5. He broke the former downhill record of 2:16.7 and was almost five seconds better than Martin Strolz of Austria. Streeter came down the slope in 2.20.4 for seventeenth place and ninth among the American entries. His overall, steady, performance convinced the Olympic Committee that he should be a member of the United States team. Streeter was also termed the best all-round collegiate skier in America today by a leading newspaper.

Lacrossmen Plan Practice Trip In April

By Don Lawton

Early this week, practice began for Coach Duke Nelson's Lacrosse team. The team has eighteen lettermen returning to form a strong nucleus for this season's club. Only three members of last years aggregation have been graduated. Leading the outfit will be Hap Freeman, a senior from Greenfield, Mass. He is a very fine man on the attack and should prove an excellent leader for the team. He succeeds Duncan Ogden, 1954's high scorer, who has graduated.

Pre-Season Practice Trip

Prior to the beginning of the regular season, on March 31st and April 1st the Panthers will travel down into Southern New York to meet RPI and the Army Plebes in a pair of unscheduled practice games. Then on April 2nd the squad will play Hofstra in a regularly scheduled practice game. After these encounters the team should have worked themselves into good enough shape to be ready for their tough regular season schedule.

The regular season opens on April 16 at Tufts. The Jumbos are reported to have a very well balanced team, as do most of the outfits that we face. On April 23, Union will meet us here, and Dartmouth is here on the 27th of April. The only other home game is with Harvard on May 7.

Returning Lettermen

The team will have seven starters returning, and thirty-seven men in all are out for the club. Hap Freeman, Dave Stone, and Bob Gallagher will be holding down the midfield positions. Several experienced lettermen return at the attack and defense positions. On defense, Nelson has Marcie Garcia, Bob Vuillet, Bill Admirand, Lou Kempton, Clive Coutts, and Karl Brautigam. Playing at the attack positions will be Wayne Reilly, Bob Sullivan, and others. Ken Farrarr will be back in the goal for the Panther stickmen. Dick Maider, Bruce Barlow, and Kit Cain stand out as the top freshmen candidates.

Coach Nelson says that if the weather cooperates and the team is able to get into shape, he sees no reason why this year's outfit can't improve the 1954 record of two wins against five setbacks.

Loss Of Men, Indoor Courts Hurt Tennis

By Ed Ferman

This year's Panther tennis squad will face some tough going if it is to equal the fine records of past Middlebury net teams. Besides the almost perennial problem of losses of key men, the team is confronted by an especially aggravating practice problem this year. However, the outlook is far from being dim, as the squad is potentially a fine one.

Heminway Captain

Spike Heminway, a senior and this year's captain, will undoubtedly fill one of the top spots. Bill Breed is a sophomore and another known quantity. Other men who saw action last year and on whom Coach Merriman is counting are Vern Gray, Mal Davidson and Bob Beattie. A newcomer, and one who should help out tremendously, is freshman Pete Bostwick, Sandy Bricken and Fyfe Dollar, who is manager of the squad as well, stand a good chance of seeing plenty of action this spring.

Three Men Lost

The graduation of Bob Black, last year's captain, will undoubtedly hurt the Panthers somewhat. However, the loss of Don Collier and Ted Patterson, who have left school, may be even more of a blow since these men had been counted on heavily for this year.

Time, or rather the lack of it, is the Panther's main problem. The team customarily enjoys three weeks of March practice in the Field House. Next year they will get these three weeks again, however, this season the change to artificial ice has necessitated a delay. The courts will not be surfaced and in shape to play on until April 13. The first match is April 16, against Tufts. The problems this creates are obvious. Vermont weather not being conducive to outdoor tennis, the squad cannot expect to get in more than a few days of practice before the first match. This amount of practice before actual competition is not enough for any team, no matter how good the players are. This lack of practice time makes it doubly tough for Coach Merriman to narrow down the team from the present 25 or 30 candidates. The canceling of a practice match with Williams because of the lack of courts has eliminated a good chance for some of the players to see some pre-season competition.

BUSH LEAGUE

By The Old Scribe, Ret.

Seems to me that just about this time every year there is increasing pressure brought to bear on the current Scripto scribe to collect his tabloids and come out with a hockey all star outfit. So, being a man of modest means, I am forced to comply with this request. After a lengthy conversation with the local commissioner, the following results are being released for your criticism.

Goal, Wile, TC, McDermott, KDR
LD, Keating, SPE, Huford, DKE
RD, Entwistle PKT, Niles, SPE
C, Cheney, TC, Quintin, ATO
RW, Martin, DU, Durant, TC
LW, Thayer, DKE, Widen, SPE
Alternates, Dotson, SPE, Garcia, KDR, Bricken, CP

In the mythical trophy department, the Manly Cup, which is awarded to that team most in need of it, was won this year by Theta Chi, who incidentally, led the league. The Lady B ing Trophy, which is awarded to "that player, who by his unfailing cheerful disposition, has done the most to eliminate loss of emotional control," is won by Herb Atkins of Kappa Delta Rho. The Blear Certificate, which is given to the most bleary-eyed participant, goes to Tom Walrath of PKT, for his memorable performance in the DKE-PKT game. Walt Mears of DKE was voted "most in need of improvement," while Brad Littlefield of ASP was voted least likely to succeed. A special award is being given this year to Spike Heminway of SPE for his exceptional display of courage in the face of an insurmountable obstacle, in this case, his physical condition.

Speaking of Spike, that reminds me of a little story that I happened to overhear concerning his badminton ability. In case some of you are in the dark concerning Spike, let me tell you that he is this year's Varsity tennis captain. Well, to get on with our tale kiddies, Spike challenged the gracefully aging Red Kelly to a single match in badminton. Spike took the court smartly outfitted in the latest in badminton sportswear, and awaited the arrival of his opponent. Pretty soon the commissioner appeared in his street clothes and sneakers. At the sight of this, Spike promptly offered to spot Red eight points, as he deftly flicked the bird into the bankhand corner. Red spun gracefully on his right foot and proceeded to welt a wicked smash about an inch above the net that caught the amazed Heminway between the eyes. So, they played even, and after allowing the younger, thinner man to jump off to an eight point lead, Red came back to win 15-11. 'Nuff said Heminway?

What this all boils down to, I guess, is that the fraternity badminton is now under way, and the action will be hot and heavy for the next couple of weeks. Right now it looks like either the DKE's or the PKT's will cop the laurels, but the Chi Psi's could be a dark horse.

As soon as we return from spring vacation, there will be a mad rush towards the softball diamonds, and it is here that many of the real old smoothies of intramural athletics show their stuff. Such poetry in motion as Doolittle's baserunning, Pierpont's pitching, or perhaps the hiting of Joe Durkin will be missed this year, but I am sure there will be the usual collection of jokers stepping in to take their places. But this all comes later.

Right about now it is time for The Old Scribe to say goodbye to you, as this is my last column. I am to be replaced when the new administration takes over after vacation. So, off with the mask, and farewell. I am, in reality, Malcolm Davidson '55.

Panther Nine Begins Drills, Pitching Is Major Problem

By Ed Thomson

Even though the first day of spring looked more like the first day of winter, a group of hopefuls and veterans are gathering, mitts in hand, in the hope that, weather permitting, Middlebury College might field a baseball team for another season.

The first official practice for the baseball team was not held until last Tuesday, with Head Coach "Bobo" Sheehan being granted a one day reprieve in the changeover from skiing before starting on the long spring campaign.

Makin Leads Informal Drills

In the meantime, informal sessions have been held under the direction of Captain Dick Makin, the Panthers hard hitting left fielder. In addition to Makin, Sheehan has quite a few holdovers from last year to start from as he tries to rebuild the team.

Rog Tirone and Zip Rausa, first and second string backstops last season, are both back, to go along with pitchers Chuck Smith and Pete Read, both of whom are right-handers. Pitching looks like it will pose a problem again this year with both Dick Whitney and Dick MacDonald gone. Last year, Sheehan was forced to depend on three freshmen hurlers to go along with Smith, and he may be forced to draw in the relatively inexperienced newcomers once more.

Infield Intact

The infield is still intact, with first basemen Cy Anfindsen and Tom Seamans returning, although Anfindsen wants to try out on the mound. Little Billy Ellis will be fighting for his second place position, and Jim Wagner is around to do the shortstopping. Bob Keating, the only regular to hit .300 last season, will probably handle the third place duties.

In the outfield, Makin is the only returning letterman, and the other two positions will be wide open. Holdover Bruce Byers will be making a strong bid for one of those posts.

Brand Victor In Ping Pong

Middlebury took three of the eight trophies at the state table tennis tournament held in Burlington last Sunday. Jon Brand '55 won the singles and Bob Prentice '54 and Ray LaTaille ex-'54 were runner-ups in the doubles.

Track

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only man in the hammer throw at the present time.

The team has been using the outside board track for these early workouts and probably won't find the cinder oval at Porter Field ready for several weeks at least. Fraternity relays have helped condition the squad in preparation for next Monday's time trials which will give Coach Brown at least an idea of who his top men will be in each event.

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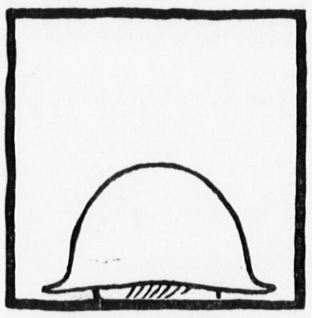

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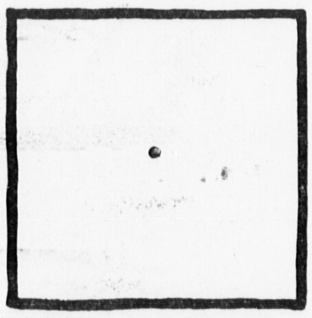

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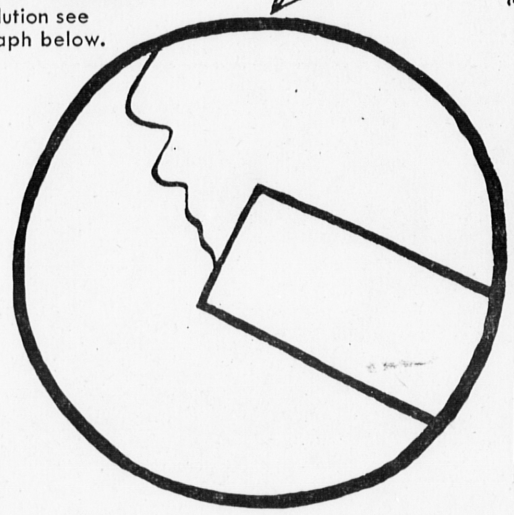

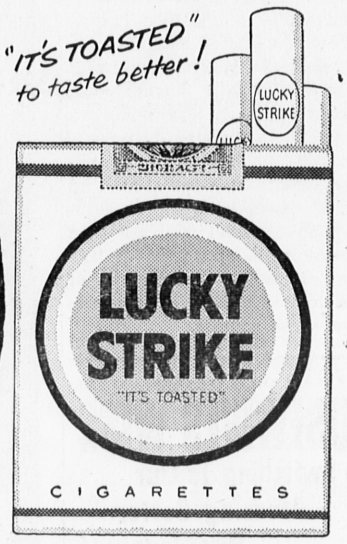

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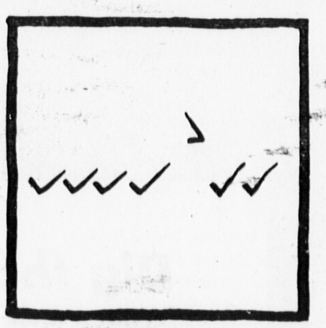

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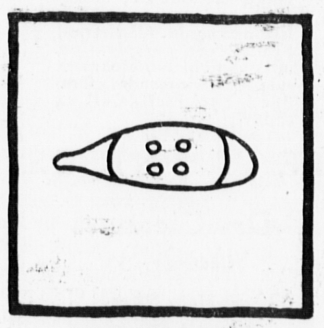

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ROTC Orgranizes Guards

One of the relatively new organizations on campus is the Middlebury College Guards, a group of about 20 ROTC students .Started last year, its purpose is to "provide the members with the benefits and experiences to be gained through the association with the examination of military matters, both educational and social. To become a member one must be enrolled in the ROTC course and, preferably, interested in the advanced course, in good scholastic standing in his class, nominated by an active member and approved by a ¾ vote of those present at a business meeting. All cadets in all four classes are eligible for this membership.

The constitution of the Guards has been completed and has been approved by the Student Life Committee and the Men's Undergraduate Association. The officers elected by the members are Robert Murphy '55, Commandant; Philip Montgomery 56, Deputy Commandant; Thomas Quea 56, Recorder. Lieutenant Colonel Charles Adcock and Major Leo DuPont have been elected honorary members.

Meetings are held twice monthly, one business meeting and one social. The business meetings thus far have centered around the writing, rewriting, and approval of the constitution. Movies and guest speakers have been featured at the social gatherings, a high point being Major Sain's presentation of a lecture and films on his Alaskan experiences. Later in the spring a trip has been planned to Fort Ethan Allen Air Base in Burlington, where a tour of the base will be taken, including possible demonstration of equipment and a flight in aircraft based there. Another of the social plans is for a Military Ball to be held next fall.

Greenhouse

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tions of building materials. Many campus organizations have already pledged financial support. Over 300 students and many faculty members have volunteered their labor for the construction of the building, and it is estimated that the students will save approximately $1300 by utilizing their own labor. It is estimated that construction will begin as soon as the ground is ready and certain technical aspects have been ironed out. Benjamin Wissler, professor of physics, will be in charge of construction.

Plans for the greenhouse have been provided by Lord and Burnham of Irvington, N. Y., who will also supply the aluminum frame. The glass structure will be 26 x 14 feet and will be joined by a 14 x 14 foot headhouse with a roof of translucent corrugated plastic. The headhouse will contain a potting room and cold animal experimenting room, and the main greenhouse will contain two benches and a ground bed for plantings. Ventilation and heating in the building will be automatic. The facilities will be used for demonstration purposes in botany classes and for experiments of a physiological nature by students in upper-class courses.

Conference

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another. In Middlebury's High School Gym, amidst a barely audible click of knitting needles, they viewed Man in the atmosphere of tragic literature, in the cradle of his infant fear, in his tendency to be a self-contained Almighty God and in the female-of-his-species' desire to make "a better cake each and every time."

Attendance at each of the two panel sessions, always tricky to forecast, took a sharp dive after Stanley Hyman's keynote speech and trickled to virtually nothing by Sunday morning. Women students, revealing more willingness to absorb the Conference's conclusions, invariably arrived minutes before curtain time to settle themselves uncomfortably on front row metal chairs to wait patiently for man's changing image to change. Good weather pulled a potential section of the audience to nearby ski slopes; others, perhaps sensing defeat before the conflict began, hibernated in rooms and two students took time out from the Conference to becomed pinned -- appropriately enough at the time that Dikran Donchian was concluding his talk and just before Mrs. Margaret Benz discussed the subject of marital relations.

By the time Saturday night rolled in, Man's Changing Image of Himself had been affirmed, but no one was quite sure why they were shaking their heads up and down. A confused few waited impatiently in the Chateau's Grand Salon to get a closer view of the brave few who had decided that man, if not basicly, then outwardly, had changed at some vague time because of occasional causes. One guest speaker hurried from the Grand Salon because no one was talking to her, while the others gathered about them inquisitors who were, perhaps, symphatetically baffled by what had taken place earlier in the day. Between sips of a concoction of pineapple juice and lemonade, panelists disclosed pet theories which hadn't had the opportunity for birth in the day's wrangling -- sample pet theory: "Give every man in China two dollars and you'll create the biggest market this world has ever seen." Whether bobby-soxed and white-bucked students saw this as a coming change of man's image remained as encrypted as the words in the French slick publications spewed about the Chateau's Grand Salon.

Ex post facto solutions to the difficulty of the speakers meshing their mind machinery with the topic were varied, but perhaps all agreed that the subject was too general and that Mr. Ingersoll answered it all when he implied that the two-legged, hairless creature hasn't been in existence long enough to wonder about the question.

Nevertheless, fraternity houses and womens' dormitories flickered with warm discussions of this thing of Man and if these sessions produced no more definite answer as to Man's Changing Image, they did, at least, awake a liberal-arts-minded contingent of Man to the fact that Man is incomprehensibly complex, which is, as Dr. Benz said, commenting on the latest Kinsey report, ". . .something all of us knows, but we just didn't know that everyone else knew it, too."

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